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GREETINGS.

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A. O. DAVIS,
I. W. WOODFIN,
NICK G. DAVIDSON

Dated, Alma, Mich., Jan. 20, 1888.

Take notice of Mrs. Shaffers advs. * Good assortment of Children's Shoes at Kinch's.

A. B. Hopkins, of Ithaca, was in town Monday.

Stamped linens at reduced prices at Mrs. E. P. Shaffer's.

S. A. Smith was in Grand Rapids Tuesday on business.

B. S. Webb left Tuesday on a business trip to Marquette.

S. A. Smith, manager of the Wright House, was in Saginaw Sunday.

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Jas. Kirk is in Detroit this week buying goods.

Miss Lelia Stevens was in St. Louis Tuesday.

Dongolia Kid button Shoes at W. R. Kinch's.

Mrs. W. A. Vallean, of Grand Ledge spent Sunday in town.

Warm meals at all hours at S. G. Hopkins's.

The next state fair will be held Sept. 10 to 14, probably at Jackson.

Pine River has been made into one election district by the town board.

Geo. R. Brown, of Sheridan, spent Sunday with his father in this village.

A very large line of mittens and wool goods at cost until Feb. 1st.

Mrs. E. P. Shaffer.

Do not forget the great bargains on mittens at Mrs. E. P. Shaffer's until Feb. 1st.

The sleighing is splendid and the farmers are improving it hauling logs and wood.

Rev. J. Van Antwerp expects to preach at Breckenridge next Sunday morning.

There have been union services at the M. E. church during the evenings of this week.

FOR SALE—An account of \$5.80 against F. J. Topping very cheap. Enquire at this office. Iyr

Dennis Clark who went to New York some three weeks ago to visit friends is down with the measles.

Our Common Sense school shoe, with leather inner sole and outer counter tip, sold by W. R. Kinch.

Out of three hundred and twenty-five members of the present Congress, two hundred and sixteen are lawyers.

Wm. Slater, of Forest Hill, has sold his farm and will take up his abode at Sterling Ill. The Record will be a regular visitor to him.

Now is the time of year when the hydrants should be closely watched and kept cleared of snow. In case of fire there should be no delay in securing water.

"Papa, what do printers live on?" "Why do you ask my son?" Because I heard you say you had been taking the paper two years and hadn't paid a cent.

The citizens of Leslie are endeavoring to establish a market place in their village where all kinds of personal property can be sold or exchanged on a certain day in each week.

The order of O. E. S. give a very pleasant entertainment at their rooms in the Church block, on Friday evening last, and purpose to give another, at the same place in two weeks from that time.

Township clerks should bear in mind that the new election laws require that every township be provided with an election seal, and it is the duty of each township clerk to look after the matter and see that his township is thus provided.

The second meeting of the Alma Orpheus Club was held at the home of Miss Jessie O'Connell, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 24, 1888. The following program was rendered:

Piano Duet, Misses Stevens and Nesbit Male Quartette—Messrs. Beckner, Crittenden, Marsh and Marsh.

Essay—W. H. O'Connell.

Vocal Solo—Miss Stevens.

Piano Solo—Miss O'Connell.

Violin Solo—H. A. Milliken.

For the first entertainment of so new an organization, it was a decided success. The public are soon to be treated to an entertainment from this Club.

Twenty couple of our young people attended a dancing party at Riverdale last Wednesday night, the guests of E. R. Mobio and W. H. Taft. A sumptuous supper was served by the popular landlord, N. P. Bradley, and it was put up in first-class order. When the time came to pay their bills they were surprised to find every thing paid. This is a way these boys have of doing business, nothing done by halves.

Homer Murphy has bought and will haul about 6,000 tons of hay this season. If all the money paid for the above were in \$1.00 bills it would form a line 4 miles long, or if in silver dollars it would weigh 3,750 pounds, and the bills would also make a line 56 miles long or if piled one above the other a pile 24 miles high; and the wire with which they are bound would form one continuous line 778 miles long. It will require 60 freight cars to carry it to market, or 30 trains of 20 cars each. Shipments are being made from points on the D. L. & N.; T. A. A. & N.; D. & M. and G. T. R. R's.—Williamston Enterprise.

The gentleman above mentioned has been here this week among the farmers and is assured of 600 tons of timothy hay in this vicinity and will start his presses about Feb. 1. He does not permanently locate them, but goes from farm to farm in an account of grading.

A. W. Wright's New Residence.

It is a matter of just pride to the people of Alma that a gentleman of such rare business tact and good judgment as Mr. A. W. Wright possesses, should, notwithstanding his large property interests and business associations in many other more pretentious towns decide to make Alma his permanent home. He is just finishing a house here that is a marvel in material and workmanship, designed by Spiers & Hohn of Detroit and is built of Ionia sand stone. The architecture is of Queen Anne's and old English styles fully blended. The dimensions are 67x36, two stories and attic, with porch in front.

Upon entering the porch, we pass to the vestibule, from vestibule to reception hall—finished in oak—to the left we enter the parlor, 14-5x17-9, finished in Southern wood, with a large mantel of mahogany of very pretty design; to the right we enter the sitting room, 14-x18-2, finished in cherry—here too is a beautiful mantel. This room is connected to the main hall by side door. Turning to the right we now enter Mr. Wright's sleeping apartment, 15-4x21, with octagon front facing the south, forming a bay window finished in cherry with inlaid parquette floor. This room is connected with a large bath room, 11-8x14-6, finished in curly maple wainscoting, to the height of five feet, furnished with bath tub, water closet, wash stand, dressing case and medicine chest. From sanitary considerations this room is thoroughly ventilated, being large and airy and not as is usually pent up. From this room we pass by the rear hall to the kitchen, 15-6x13-4, finished in white maple and liberally supplied with all the modern conveniences of the culinary art: From the kitchen to the pantry, finished in pine, supplied with china closets and everything requisite to a first-class service of the products of the kitchen. From the pantry we pass to the dining room, 13-9x29, finished in oak; here is a large mantel with china closets on each side, also a side board of elegant pattern; this room has a parquette floor and is entered from the rear and main halls.

Entering the main hall we face the stairs which are of oak. In ascending the stairs we find a stair window of plate and stained glass extending to the height of eighteen feet. Reaching the upper hall to the left we enter a sleeping apartment, 14-4x18, finished in birch—here too is a mantel. In connection is a dressing room, 8x8, and closet. Coming again to the main hall and turning to the left we enter a room similar in design, size and finish to the one last described, containing also a mantel. From this we pass to a large room, 21x15-6 with octagon front forming a bay window; this room is finished in white maple and is connected with bath room and hall. From the hall turning to the right we find a large room, 14x18, finished in sycamore with parquette floor, with an alcove, 7-6x7-6 and a closet. From the rear hall we pass to rooms for domestics which are large and convenient.

The whole house is abundantly supplied with both soft and city water from tanks in the attic. The plumbing by McDonnell Bros. & Co., of Detroit, is of the very best style known to the art, resulting not only in a plentiful supply of hot or cold water, but

A letter from B. W. Sperry reports himself and family in good health and at present visiting at Memphis, this state.

Mrs. Hoover who was matron of the Normal school here last summer died at her mother's home at Goodison Station last Friday, after a long and painful illness. Her daughter Frankie who has hosts of warm friends here has the sympathy of this community, in this her great bereavement.

Prof. Anderson, one of the greatest magicians of the age, will appear at Holcomb's Opera House St. Louis, Friday and Saturday evenings, Jan. 27-28. The public will have an opportunity of witnessing the best Legerdemain performance that ever was given at this house, and speaking in this connection it calls to mind the fact that there is an attractive and drawing power surrounding an exhibition of this character which is truly marvelous. The best theatre in the cities eagerly seek after such attractions and the theatre patrons attest their approval by swelling the box office's receipts to wonderful proportions. Cleveland the average attendance for the week was 2,000 nightly; and in Detroit 1,850. Another attractive power is the fine and costly presents given away by the Prof.; every thing in connection with the distributions being done strictly on the square and no humbugging. To appreciate all this one must be at the opera house on the nights above mentioned and as the sleighing is good and the moon fine, a large attendance will be had from here.

Two large sleigh loads of young people from the College enjoyed a visit to St. Louis Saturday evening, last.

H. R. Pattengill, of Lansing, editor of the Michigan Moderator, was in town Thursday, on his way to attend the Gratiot County Teachers' Association which meets in St. Louis Friday.

Mark Stevens says that "Billy" Brown of Mt. Pleasant, is the King Bee among the alleged timber stealers of Isabella Co., and that his arrest has been ordered, and he will be brought before the United States Grand Jury.

Thursday, Jan. 25 being a day set apart as College Day, was observed by Alma College as follows: At 9 o'clock a prayer meeting was held, followed by a sermon by Dr. Hunting, after which a meeting of the Y. M. C. A., followed by a meeting of Y. W. C. A. filling up the day.

Farmer's Institute. The State Farmers' Institute will be held at Church's opera house, Ithaca, Thursday and Friday, Feb. 2-3, under the auspices of the State Board of Agriculture. The following is the program: THURSDAY FEB. 2, EVENING SESSION, 7:00. Cornet Solo—W. R. Cole with accompaniment by Ithaca orchestra.

Prayer—Rev. C. A. Jockoes. Music. Address of Welcome—J. N. McCall. Music.

The "Coddling" Moth—R. A. Peet, Lafayette. Music.

Contagious Diseases Among Animals—Prof. E. A. A. Grange, Agriculture College. Cornet Solo—W. R. Cole, with accompaniment by Ithaca orchestra.

FRIDAY FEB. 3, MORNING SESSION, 7:00. Prayer by Rev. D. M. Christy. What it costs to raise crops—Inman Cowdry, Newark. Music.

Cattle—R. A. Peet, Lafayette. Poultry—Rev. D. M. Christy, Ithaca. Music.

Agricultural Engineering—Prof. R. C. Carpenter of State Agricultural College. Music.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1:30 P. M. Music. General Farming—Hon. C. H. Morse, New Haven. Music.

How to make the farm pay—Silas Moody, Forest Hill. Is Higher Education essential to the farmer—J. N. McCall, Ithaca.

Sheep—E. H. Stowe, Newark. Music. The most profitable Farming for Gratiot county—Prof. S. Johnson of State Agricultural College.

EVENING, 7:30 SHARP. Music—Miss Lelia A. Stevens, Alma College. Prayer by Rev. J. E. Long.

Feeding—E. McCall, Ithaca. Fruit—Hiram Haring, North Shade. Music—Miss Lelia A. Stevens, Alma College.

Address—Edwin Willits, M. A., President State Agricultural College. Every person interested in Agriculture is invited to attend. After each lecture and essay there will be a time for questions and discussions, in which any in attendance are cordially invited to participate. The object of the Institute is to aid in improved methods of Agriculture and Horticulture, to bring farmers into closer relations with each other and with the officers of the Agricultural College. The Institute is for the mutual improvement of the farmers and the professors of the College. Each will learn from the other. There will be good music. Let no farmer in Gratiot county miss a single exercise, as no pains will be spared to make the whole program from beginning to end full of life and useful information.

Marriage Licenses. Peter Jones, Ferris. 41 Flora Wilber, Pine River. 21 Edward Moore, Ohio. 21 Lenora Knapp, Emerson. 17

Jurors for March Term. Arcada.—James P. King. Pine River.—Byron S. Nelson. North Shade.—Spencer Walker. New Haven.—Johnathan Bidde. Sumner.—Wm. P. Clark. Seville.—Wm. A. Bradley. Ithaca.—Wm. M. Barstow. Elba.—Chas. W. Aldrich. Hamilton.—Lewis Lincoln. Lafayette.—Mathias Lower. Wheeler.—David Milligan. Washington.—Horton Smith. North Star.—Reuben V. Lott. Emerson.—Willard Gary. Bethany.—John Shelt. Fulton.—Phillip W. Cresser. Newark.—John Richardson. Arcada.—Adney Doshon. Pine River.—John L. Kingdon. North Shade.—Geo. Canfield. New Haven.—R. P. Houck. Sumner.—Seneca Sly. Seville.—David McLaughlin. Ithaca.—H. E. Lewis.

Business Directory.

M. E. CHURCH Services 10:30, Sunday School 12:00. Evening service 7:30. A. F. HET, Pastor.

CONG. CHURCH SERVICES at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. J. VAN ANTWERP, Union Sub. Pastor.

EPISCOPAL CH. Services every Sunday evening 7:30. Rev. J. H. HARRIS, Episcopal church.

ALMA LODGE, F. & A. M. Regular meetings on Saturday or before. W. POLASKY, W. M. Sec'y.

ALMA CHAPTER, O. E. S. NO. 43. Regular meetings on the first Friday of each month. MRS. ANNA MESSINGER, Sec'y.

G. A. R. Wm. Moyer Post, No. 132, Dep't of Mich., G. A. R., meet on 2nd and 4th. Thursday of each month. JERRY SMITH, Comd.

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C. L. DOWNIE, M. D. General Practice. Office front room in Webb's Drug Store.

S. D. YERINGTON. Physician. Office hours: 9 to 11 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m. Office in Webb's Drug Store.

E. A. BAGLEY, M. D. Homeopathic Physician and Surgeon. Residence State street. Office, room No. 1, Wright's Opera House block, second floor. Office hours, 9 to 10 a. m.; 2 to 4 and 7 to 8 p. m.

FRANCIS PALMER. ATTORNEY AT LAW. Also Real Estate Life and Fire Insurance Agent. Alma, Gratiot Co. Mich.

J. L. CLARK ATTORNEY and Counselor at Law. All legal business by letter or otherwise, will be promptly attended to. Office in Opera House block, upstairs.

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